

# **Rube Goldberg "Locked!" cartoon OBC145**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Goldberg, Rube, 1883-1970
<b>Title</b>	Rube Goldberg "Locked!" cartoon
<b>Date</b>	1943
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 oversize folder
<b>Language</b>	English

**Graphic materials [Folder]** OBC145

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Rube Goldberg (1883-1970) was a Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist best known for his zany invention cartoons. He was born in San Francisco on the 4th of July, 1883 – and graduated from U. Cal Berkeley with a degree in engineering. His first job at the San Francisco Chronicle led to early success, but it wasn't until he moved to NYC and began working for Hearst publications that he became a household name. Rube Goldberg is the only person ever to be listed in the Merriam Webster Dictionary as an adjective. It's estimated that he did a staggering 50,000 cartoons in his lifetime.

Source: "About Rube". Rube Goldberg. <https://www.rubegoldberg.com/about/>. Accessed September 21, 2016.

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## Historical Note

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One of the conclusions from the Tehran Conference was that it would be desirable that Turkey come in to the war on the side of the Allies. Also, Stalin agreed that if Turkey found herself at war with Germany, and as a result Bulgaria declared war on Turkey or attacked her, the Soviet would immediately be at war with Bulgaria.

Source: The Avalon Project at Yale Law School. "The Tehran Conference". Yale University, 1997. <http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/wwii/tehran.htm>. Last updated September 21, 2016. Accessed September 21, 2016.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes one original cartoon entitled "Locked!" from Rube Goldberg to John C. Rugenstein that possibly appeared in the *Indianapolis News*. The cartoon is dated February 3, 1943 and April 1943. It depicts Adolph Hitler trying to open a door marked "Exit to Turkey" which is locked by the "Churchill Agreement".

## Arrangement

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This collection consists of one item.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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### Accruals

No further additions are expected.

### Processing Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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**Corporate Name(s)**

- Teheran Conference (1943 : Tehran, Iran).

**Genre(s)**

- Cartoons
- Political cartoons

**Personal Name(s)**

- Hitler, Adolf, 1889-1945
- Rugenstein, John C.

**Subject(s)**

- Caricatures and cartoons
- World War, 1939-1945